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VIA ECFS

October 1, 2009

Ms. Marlene H. Dortch
Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20554

RE: Certification of Compliance with Section 254(e) in Lieu of State Certification, Pursuant to the Fourteenth Report and Order, Twenty-Second Order on Reconsideration, and Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking in CC Docket No. 96-45

Dear Ms. Dortch:

Pursuant to the provisions in the above referenced Order and 47 C.F.R. § 54.314(b), filed herewith is my executed affidavit on behalf of Tohono O'Odham Utility Authority ("TOUA"), study area code 452173. As a tribally-owned carrier not subject to the jurisdiction of the Arizona Corporation Commission, TOUA is filing its certification with Section 254(e) directly with the FCC.

If you have any questions concerning this filing, please contact me.

Sincerely,



Charles W. Wiese
General Manager

Attachment

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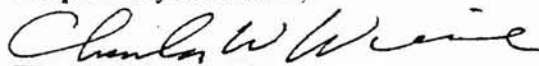
**AFFIDAVIT OF COMPLIANCE WITH
SECTION 254(e) TO RECEIVE FEDERAL
UNIVERSAL SERVICE FUNDS PURSUANT
TO THE FOURTEENTH REPORT AND ORDER**

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§ **COMMUNICATIONS**
§ **COMMISSION**
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I, Charles W. Wiese, an officer of Tohono O'Odham Utility Authority ("TOUA") with substantial knowledge of TOUA's operations, do hereby certify under penalty of perjury that the following is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge and belief:

1. My name is Charles W. Wiese. I am employed by TOUA in the position of General Manager. In this position, I am personally familiar with the Federal Universal Service Support received by TOUA and how TOUA uses these funds.
2. TOUA is an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier ("ETC") within the meaning of §214(e) of the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996 ("Act"), having been designated by the FCC as an ETC on February 17, 1998.
3. The Federal Universal Support funds received by TOUA are used only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended, as designated by the Federal Communications Commission consistent with Section 254(e) of the Act.
4. These funds will be used to provide the supported services as designated in 47 C.F.R. §54.101 which are available throughout TOUA's study area

Respectfully submitted,


Charles W. Wiese

10-01-09
Date